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<i>11</i>	AA	1,728,537	9/1929	Geiger			
	AB	2,289,984	7/1942	Mouromtseff et al.			
	AC	2,947,957	8/1960	Spindler			
	AD	3,388,739	6/1968	Olson et al.			
	AE	4,485,320	11/1984	Kawada et al.			
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<i>11</i>	AG	573,773	12/1945	Great Britain				
	AH	591,996	9/1947	Great Britain	165	80.3		
	AI	54,921	4/1951	France	165	185		
	AJ	1,247,069	1/1960	France				
	AK	80,953	5/1984	Japan	165	185		

OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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<i>x</i>	AM	European Search Report		
<i>x1</i>		Patent Abstracts of Japan, No. 62018050, 01-27-87		
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<i>D</i>	AA	5,502,619	3/1996	Wang			
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<i>*</i>	AG	8474125	6/10/98	Europe				
<i>*</i>	AH	10-163022	6/19/98	Japan				
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¹ Parent of the present application.	
² See the corresponding European Reference listed herein.	

* not previously cited in parent, no copy of document submitted

ATTACHMENT 1(f)

LIST OF COPENDING APPLICATIONS	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	APPLICATION NO.
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The following, prior-filed, copending U.S. patent application(s) is/are listed in accordance with the duty of disclosure provisions of 37 CFR § 1.56, so that the Examiner may consider same should he deem any thereof to be material to examination of the subject application. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the identified copending application(s) is provided.

It is requested that the Examiner acknowledge his consideration of application(s) below-listed by initialling same in the space provided adjacent each such application and that the Examiner sign and date this form at the bottom thereof to confirm such consideration having been given.

This submission in no way represents an admission that any of the information listed herein constitutes prior art with respect to the subject application and unless and until such prior art status is established, this submission is not a request that the information presented herein be printed on the face of any patent issuing from the subject application in which this information is being filed.

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<i>/</i>	1	09/781,191**	02/13/01	Tanaka et al.	Mineba Co., Ltd.
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